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PREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICE

TOKYO BUREAU

APO 503

5 December 1963

Chief, BIS, FBIS P. O. Box 2604 Washington 13, D. C.

Dear

Subject: US Station List.

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Recently the Bureau transmitted to the Japanese Radio Regulatory Board, the nearest thing to the FCC here, a set of your publication "Broad casting Stations of the World." This organization has been a regular recipient of the publication for some years, and has from time to time reciprocated with a copy of its own publication listing Japanese radio stations.

Their list, as yours, has burgeoned tremendously in recent years and they had some production problems, too. These were recently resolved by adoption of IBM techniques and the new list is in reduced size IBM format reminiscent of the Geneva lists. If you have no immediate pressing need, we would prefer to hold it here in the bureau for use in some radioteletype exploratory work on local transmitters when our radioteletype position is completed. I have asked the local staff to make a complete check of all broadcast and television listings and to make a report of any discrepancies to be passed to BIS. Some of the listings do not seem to be borne out in fact in the FM section, and we shall have to go beyond the listings to get answers on that.

The RRB inquired whether we could obtain for it a current list of US "radio stations". I am quite sure it would be impossible to get a list of everything they have in mind (thinking in terms of their own publication); in fact, I don't think the FCC could get it into book form. But if we could come up with a list of US broadcasting (AM, FM, TV) stations, this would be a big help in keeping the scale of favors tipped in our direction. Maybe there is something we could buy from GPO. We are interested in keeping on as good terms as possible with the RRB, which may be helpful in a variety of ways in the future.

Best regards,

Chief, Tokyo Bureau

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